

I am strongly opposed to the proposed repeal of the FCC ban on one company owning both a newspaper and a television station in the same geographical area. It is critical to a successful democracy that the public be informed. To be informed the public needs access to a variety of viewpoints and diverse sources of information. Exposure to full information and a diversity of ideas is not possible where all media outlets are controlled by only a few media companies. Lifting the ban on cross-ownership will contribute significantly to the increasing consolidation of media outlets to a few large media companies.

Please do not contribute to the weakening of our democracy by allowing this repeal to go through.